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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 1998, Paper No. 6, please amend and reconsider the above referenced patent application.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims & and 1/7; and amend claims 1, 5, 7-9, 13 and 16 as follows:

A lighting assembly for a running board of a vehicle, comprising: 1. at least one light tube extending along at least a portion of the running board; and